

Docket No. 1948-4293US1IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Menard et al.

Group Art Unit: 1771

Serial No.: 09/041,538

Examiner: A. Singh

Filed: March 11, 1998

For: **FRICITION MATERIAL DESIGNED FOR FITTING TO A DEVICE EMPLOYING
FRICITION IN A LIQUID MEDIUM, AND THE METHOD OF PRODUCING SUCH
A FRICITION MATERIAL AND THE DEVICE TO WHICH IT IS FITTED**AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTALCommissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required.
- The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	19 -	20	0	\$18.00/ \$9.00	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2 -	3	0	\$84.00/ \$42.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$280.00 to additional fee (\$140.00 for small entity).)				
					TOTAL \$ 0.00

*Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

- Small entity status is or has been claimed.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to an Office Action setting a three-month response date from an Office Action dated June 5, 2003, the shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 5, 2003. Accordingly, no extension of time or corresponding fee is believed due. However, if the Commissioner determines that an extension of time and/or any fee is required, the applicant hereby petitions for the required extension of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge deposit account 13-4500, order 1948-4293US1 for any required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

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